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The FCC needs t o be patient when speaking with the disabled.

- -Operators need to stay on the call long enough to get used to the way the PERSON with a speech disability talks.
- --Operators should tell callers that everything is confidential.
- --People with a speech disability need an easy way to reach Speech-To-Speech.
- -- The FCC must stop people in jails from abusing STS.
- --More people with speech disabilities need to be taught to use STS.
- --All these statements also apply to people who use STS on the computer.
- --There should be competition, as that makes STS work better.
- --The operators need to be paid enough so that they do a good job, and they need good training.